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TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE//SITUATION ROOM FOR MR MCNAMARS,

STATE RCI//OPERATIONS CENTER MR FRY, NMCC//ATTENTION

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WARNING NOTICE SENSITIVE INTELLIGENCE SOURCES AND METHODS

INVOLVED

ITEM NO: 3

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DATE: 27 FEB 74

SUBJECT: ETHIOPIAN CABINET RESIGNS

REF:

ADDIS ABABA RADIO ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE CABINET, LED BY PRIME MINISTER AKLILU, HAD OFFERED ITS RESIGNATION AND THAT EMPEROR HAILE SELASSIE IS STUDYING THE MATTER. A MAJOR CABINET RESHUFFLE PROBABLY IS THE MINIMUM STEP NEEDED TO STOP THE SITUATION FROM DETERIORATING FURTHER. A NEW GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE TO MOVE QUICKLY TO RESTORE PUBLIC CONFIDENCE AND HALT SPREADING UNREST IN THE ARMED FORCES.

EARLIER TODAY DISSIDENT TROOPS IN ASHARE PLACED UNDER HOUSE ARREST MOST OF THE SENIOR OFFICERS SENT FROM ADDIS ABABA TO

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NEGOTIATE WITH THEM. THE DISSIDENTS DETAINED GENERAL ASSEFA
AYENE, THE ARMED FORCES CHIEF OF STAFF, AND FOUR OTHERS IN THE
NEGOTIATING GROUP. THE TROOPS SENT EMPEROR HAILE SELASSIE'S
AIDE-DE-CAMP BACK TO ADDIS ABABA WITH A MESSAGE REEMPHASIZING
THEIR DEMANDS.

MEANWHILE, THE REVOLT HAS SPREAD OUTSIDE EPITREA. AIR FORCE
AND ARMY UNITS IN THE OGADEN, NEAR THE SOMALI BORDER, ARE REPORTED
TO HAVE JOINED THE STRIKE. THE TOWN OF DEBRE ZEIT, THE SITE OF
ETHIOPIA'S MAIN AIRBASE NEAR ADDIS ABABA, HAS BEEN TAKEN OVER BY
AN AIRBORNE BATTALION AND AIR FORCE ELEMENTS STATIONED AT THE
AIRBASE. E-2 IMPDET.

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